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THREATENED, ENDANGERED AND CANDIDATE SPECIES  
for the  
**KOOTENAI NATIONAL FOREST**  
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**ENDANGERED (E)** - Any species that is in danger of extinction throughout all or a significant portion of its range

**THREATENED (T)** - Any species that is likely to become an endangered species within the foreseeable future throughout all or a significant portion of its range.

**CANDIDATE (C)** - Those taxa for which the Service has sufficient information on biological status and threats to propose to list them as threatened or endangered. We encourage their consideration in environmental planning and partnerships, however, none of the substantive or procedural provisions of the Act apply to candidate species.

**EXPERIMENTAL NONESSENTIAL POPULATION (XN)** - A population of a listed species reintroduced into a specific more flexible management under the Act.

**CRITICAL HABITAT (CH)** - The specific area (i) within the geographic area occupied by a listed species, at the time it is listed, on which are found those physical or biological features (I) essential to conserve the species and (ii) that may require special management considerations or protection: and (iii) specific areas outside the geographic area occupied by the species at the time it is listed upon determination that such areas are essential to conserve the species.

In accordance with section 7(c) of the Act, the Service has determined that the following listed species may be present on the Kootenai National Forest:

COMMON NAME	SCIENTIFIC NAME	STATUS	RANGE - MONTANA
Bald Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus leucocephalus</i>	Threatened	Resident year-long, spring/fall migrant, nesting; near or along major waterways
Grizzly Bear	<i>Ursus arctos horribilis</i>	Threatened	Resident, transient; Alpine/subalpine coniferous forest; western Montana
Canada Lynx	<i>Lynx Canadensis</i>	Threatened	Resident; western Montana - montane spruce/fir forests

Gray Wolf	<i>Canis lupus</i>	Threatened	Resident, transient; Forests in western Montana
Bull Trout	<i>Salvelinus confluentus</i>	Threatened	Clark Fork, Flathead, Kootenai, St Mary, and Belly river basins; Resident in cold water streams, rivers, lakes
White Sturgeon	<i>Acipenser transmontanus</i>	Endangered	Bottom dwelling; Kootenai River population
Spalding's Campion	<i>Silene spaldingii</i>	Threatened	Open grasslands with rough fescue or bluebunch wheatgrass; upper Flathead and Fisher River drainages
Water Howellia	<i>Howellia aquatilis</i>	Threatened	Wetlands, ponds and lakes in western Montana
Slender (or linearleaf) moonwort	<i>Botrychium lineare</i>	Candidate	Meadows in conifer forests